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NWB2SNN0305  
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*Via electronic mail to:*  
**licensing@nwb.nunavut.ca**

**Re: NWB2SNN0305 - 2005 Application Renewal**

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), I would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for the opportunity to provide comments on the 2004 Annual Report for the Aviat Project, located on the Melville Peninsula, Baffin Region, NU. The Annual Report was submitted by Strongbow/Stornoway (Northern Empire) /Navigator (the Licensees), as per the requirements of Part B.1 of water licence NWB2SNN0305 (the current licence).

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has reviewed the report and finds that all requirements of Part B.1 of the licence were filled. We would like to note that Part B.1.1 and 1.4 refer to an attached report, which are not available. Section 1.5.3 could contain additional information to ensure proper site management. GPS co-ordinates for all locations where wastes associated with industrial operations are deposited are given. We recommend that the NWB request confirmation that these locations are not located within 30m of the high water mark, in accordance with the licence.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Best regards,

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